

MINUTES OF
CITY OF DUVALL
COUNCIL MEETING
8-23-01
7:00 PM

6:00 PM Council Workshop

Council Present: Jeane Baldwin, Mark Cole, Tom Loutsis, Pat Fullmer, Mayor Kuntz

Staff Present: Doreen Wise, Glenn Merryman, Bruce Disend, Dianne Nelson,
Alana McCoy, Steven Leniszewski, Connie Zimmerman, Jodee Schwinn

The City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Kuntz at 7:02 PM.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Under Consent Agenda:

Add: Payroll in the amount of \$90,483.64.
Claims in the amount of \$500,963.56.

Before New Business:

Add: Presentation by American Legion & Boy Scouts
Presentation of Flags for Holiday Use.

Under New Business:

- Add:** #4. City Council to set a Public Hearing for September 13, 2001, to solicit public input on the 2002 budget.
#5 Council to set a Public Hearing for September 13, 2001 to solicit public input on Initiative 747.
#6. Appointment of Carly Fleming to the Duvall Arts Commission.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Scott Lewis, 15420 – 3rd Avenue NE, wanted to discuss the 3rd Avenue and Bruett Road Improvement Project. He said he initially received a letter in October of 2000 notifying him of the project. He submitted his comments to George Steirer of the City Planning Department stating his concerns. He spoke with staff from the engineering department on February 14, 2001. A variance was offered for an 8' fence along the Bruett Road property line, along with shrubs and trees. The 8' fence was to be constructed on top of a berm of dirt. He never was notified that the plan was changed. There is no plan to construct a berm of dirt, and the height of Bruett Road has been increased by 3½'. He is also concerned with the grading of the easement along 3rd Avenue. He feels it is a dangerous slope and will be dangerous and hard to maintain. He feels a barrier, such as a retaining wall, should be constructed by his reconstructed driveway.

Joan Ramsey, Duvall Chamber of Commerce, announced the 9th Annual Woodstack Show & Shine including a City Wide Garage Sale will be September 15, 2001. The Fire Department will also hold their Safety Fair the same day. She also thanked the City Council for passing the Sidewalk Café Ordinance.

Gary Todd, 26722 NE Stephens Street, said Stephens Street is a mess. He said that vehicles are not even stopping at the stop signs and suggested putting a 4-way stop at the top of the hill. He asked why a bike lane had been put in? Nobody uses it. Before the construction he could park on the street, now that has been eliminated. He asked for “what” and “who,” was this construction project done for? He also commented that his neighbors are using the alley easement along the backside of his property for personal uses.

Verle Bowe, 15025 – 3rd Avenue NE, said she too has found it very dangerous attempting to cross SR203 street lately. Again tonight she had a hard time crossing in traffic.

In Honor of Verle’s 85th Birthday the City Council, Staff and Members of the Audience sang HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Verle.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Was moved and seconded (Fullmer-Loutsis) to approve the consent agenda which included the Council Meeting Minutes of 8/9/01; Payroll in the amount of \$90,483.64; and Claims in the amount of \$500,496.56. Carried. (4 ayes).

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

MAYOR:

Mayor Kuntz commented that the traffic on Bruett Road/Stephens Street seems to have dropped off quite a bit, even with the reopening of the road. He doesn’t think it is as heavy as it has been and that a lot of people might be choosing to drive the other route.

STAFF:

Connie Zimmerman, Capital Projects Manager, reported that the Youth Center is coming along on schedule. The project will be put out to bid in September for work to begin in October. In conjunction with the construction she would like to put together a volunteer clean-up effort to prepare for the construction. She is considering holding the clean-up on Saturday, September 15th, just prior to the Woodstack Show & Shine.

Doreen Wise, City Hall Administrator/Planning Director, gave an update on the proposed police facility. She said the City has purchased property as a site for a new facility. She said a bond issue might be ready to go before the voters next May or November.

She also reported that she will apply for non-competitive grant money that would go towards critical areas regulations updates.

**PRESENTATION: Presentation by American Legion and Boys Scouts –
Flags for Holiday Use.**

Joan Ramsey, Chamber of Commerce, thanked the American Legion for donating 30 American Flags to be displayed throughout town during special holidays. She also thanked Boy Scout Troop #745 who will be responsible for placing and removing the flags, and also safely storing the flags.

Riley Lowthian, representing Troop #745, said they appreciate the opportunity to provide this service to the City.

NEW BUSINESS

1. (AB01-43) Resolution #01-17 Extending the Approval of the Pentz Design Addition Site Plan Approval. *Was moved and seconded (Loutsis-Baldwin) to Approve Resolution #01-17 extending the approval of the Pentz Design Addition Site Plan Approval. Carried. (4 ayes).*

2. (AB01-44) Ordinance #934 Amending Section 2.15 of the Duvall Municipal Code to Allow Owners of Duvall Businesses to be Appointed to the Duvall Planning Commission. *Was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Fullmer) to Adopt Ordinance #934 amending section 2.15 of the Duvall Municipal Code to allow owners of Duvall businesses to be appointed to the Duvall Planning Commission.*

Councilmember Tom Loutsis made a motion to amend the Ordinance to include property owners. The motion failed for lack of a second.

The motion to adopt Ordinance #934 as originally stated carried. (4 ayes).

3. (AB01-45) Resolution #01-18 Extending the Approval of the Brightmoor Preliminary Plat. *Was moved and seconded (Fullmer-Baldwin) to Approve Resolution #01-18 extending the approval of the Brightmoor Preliminary Plat.*

Councilmember Cole asked why the developer was requesting an extension so soon?

Rick Chapman, Hearthside Homes, explained that the reason he is requesting an extension now is that it is already apparent that there is no way they will complete the project by the current extension date. If he waits until next February to request an extension and Council denies it, he would have invested a lot of time and money over the winter into the project.

The Motion to approve carried. (3 ayes) (1 nay-Cole).

4. Set Public Hearing date for September 13, 2001, to solicit public input on the 2002 Budget. *Was moved and seconded (Fullmer-Baldwin) to set a public hearing date for September 13, 2001, to solicit public input on the 2002 budget. Carried. (4 ayes).*

5. Set Public Hearing date for September 13, 2001, to solicit public input on Initiative 747. *Was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Fullmer) to set a public hearing date for September 13, 2001, to solicit public input on Initiative 747. Carried. (4 ayes).*

City Hall Administrator/Planning Director, Doreen Wise, explained that the reason they have decided to hold the Public Hearings at the same meeting is because of the impacts Initiative 747 will have on the City's general fund.

Finance Director, Dianne Nelson, said that a fact sheet will be available at City Hall soon. She also said more information on Initiative 747 is available online at www.awcnet.org and at www.mrsc.org.

6. Appointment of Carly Fleming to the Duvall Arts Commission. *Was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Fullmer) to appoint Carly Fleming to the Duvall Arts Commission as a student member for a 1-year term. Carried. (4 ayes).*

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Fullmer) to adjourn. Carried. (4 ayes).

Meeting Adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Signed _____
Mayor Glen Kuntz

Attest _____
Jodee Schwinn, City Clerk